



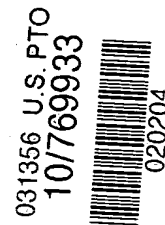
**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: 29641/39824

**PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53**

MS Patent Application  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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Title: Paint Applicators

**1. Type of Application**

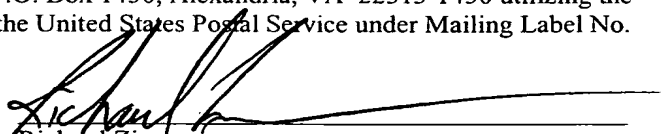
- ☒ This is a new application for a  
☒ utility patent.

**2. Application Papers Enclosed**

- 1 Title Page
- 9 Pages of Specification (excluding Claims, Abstract, Drawings & Sequence Listing)
- 5 Pages of Claims
- 1 Page of Abstract
- 4 Sheets of Drawings (Figs. 1 to 4)
- ☒ Formal

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3. Declaration or Oath

- ☒ Not enclosed - the undersigned attorney or agent is authorized to file this application on behalf of the applicant(s). An executed declaration will follow.

4. Additional Papers Enclosed

- ☒ Return receipt postcard

5. Filing Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)

A. ☒ Utility Application

CLAIMS AS FILED - INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (IF ANY)

SMALL ENTITY

OTHER THAN A SMALL  
ENTITY

	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$385.00		\$770.00
TOTAL	28 -20	= 8	X 9 =	\$	X 18 =	\$144.00
INDEP.	3 -3	= 0	X 43 =	\$	X 86 =	\$0.00
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Filing Fee:				\$	OR	\$914.00

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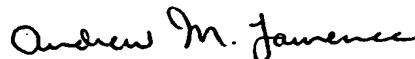
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